

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 4197

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served November 2, 1993

Prescription of INTERSTATE )  
TAXICAB RATES for District of )  
Columbia Taxicabs )

Case No. MP-93-52

By Order No. 3938, served May 13, 1992, this Commission prescribed the interstate rates for taxicab service between points in the Metropolitan District.

The interstate rates for District of Columbia taxicabs included (1) a charge of 65¢ for personal service, and (2) a waiting-time charge of 75¢ for each 5 minutes or fraction thereof.

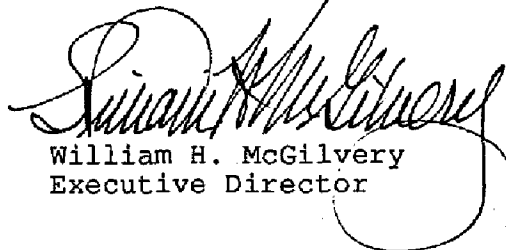
Effective Wednesday, December 1, 1993, at 12:01 a.m., the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission, as part of a broader realignment of intrastate rates, increased the personal-service charge to \$1.50, and increased the waiting-time charge to \$1.00 for each 5 minutes or fraction thereof.<sup>1</sup> In Order No. 3938, this Commission said:

With the exceptions we have historically found necessary and appropriate to interstate rates, we shall adopt the incidental charges prescribed by the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission to be applicable to interstate taxicab service in District of Columbia taxicabs.

The above-specified rates were not among the exceptions and were adopted. Now the District of Columbia Taxicab Commission has changed these rates, and we find it appropriate to adjust our prescribed charges accordingly. This will keep these incidental charges uniform for interstate and intrastate taxicab service by District of Columbia taxicabs and will make the application of these charges easier to understand for taxicab operators and passengers.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the rates and charges for transportation of passengers in interstate service between points in the Metropolitan District in taxicabs licensed and regulated by the District of Columbia are hereby prescribed as set forth in Appendix A to this order, effective Wednesday, December 1, 1993, at 12:01 a.m.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS DAVENPORT, SCHIFTER, AND SHANNON:

  
William H. McGilvery  
Executive Director

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<sup>1</sup>40 D.C. Reg. 7294 (1993).

INTERSTATE TAXICAB RATES  
FOR TAXICAB SERVICE WITHIN THE  
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT  
(in taxicabs licensed and regulated by the District of Columbia)

\$2.00 First 1/2 mile or part thereof  
.70 Each additional 1/2 mile or part thereof  
1.00 Each additional passenger in pre-formed party (provided, however, that one child five (5) years of age or younger shall be transported without charge for each individual of at least sixteen (16) years of age in a pre-formed party)

Hand baggage, including large bags of groceries or articles of similar size, in excess of one piece per passenger shall be charged for at the rate of 15¢ for each such piece. Briefcases and parcels of comparable size shall not be considered as hand baggage.

Trunks or similar large articles shall be charged for at the rate of \$1.25 each. A trunk is herein described as a piece of baggage having a minimum dimension or cubic content in excess of 32 inches by 18 inches by 9 inches or 3 cubic feet, respectively.

The charge for personal service shall be \$1.50;<sup>1</sup> taxicab service in response to a telephone call, \$1.50 in addition to all other authorized charges; dismissal of a taxicab without using it after response to a telephone call, \$1.50 in addition to the charge for responding; waiting time,<sup>2</sup> \$1.00 for each 5 minutes or fraction thereof.

There shall be a surcharge of \$1.00 per trip commencing between 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, for service originating in the District of Columbia.

There shall be no additional charge for service during snow emergency period.

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<sup>1</sup>A personal service is defined as any service requested by a passenger which requires the taxicab driver to leave the vicinity of the taxicab.

<sup>2</sup>Waiting time shall include time consumed while taxicab is waiting and available to the passenger beginning 5 minutes after the time of arrival at the place to which it has been called. No charge shall be made for premature response to a call.